Washington, DC - In remarks before the National Institute for Public Policy Nuclear Strategy Forum today, Congressman Jeff Fortenberry spoke regarding nuclear security and emerging threats. Fortenberry last year co-founded the House Nuclear Security Caucus.

"We are standing on the precipice of a nuclear-armed Middle East," said Fortenberry, "but there is not the appropriate urgency to create a collective will in the international community to mitigate these threats. We must now prioritize this critical issue and expand our multilateral dialogue on nuclear security. We must not march headlong into a world that can be rapidly destabilized by a nuclear threat because we have not adequately prepared a strong nuclear security apparatus."

Fortenberry is a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee and Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia.

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